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THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : The premise is wrong. The Handloom Board is able to do a great deal of propaganda for handlooms. It is true that mill goods want the same propaganda, and that is why mill-owners are resorting to these shows.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, what is the result of the Government's propaganda for handloom goods?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Increased sales.

*Appointment of women conductors and drivers in State Transport buses*

\* 96 Q.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to appoint women as conductors and drivers in the State Transport buses?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : No, Sir.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is the Hon. Minister aware that women are as capable as men for the posts of bus conductors and bus drivers?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : The experience of the Madras Government has been different. I understand that some years ago when you were the Mayor, I think, a committee was constituted for the purpose of recruiting women conductors and about 8 to 10 conductors were recruited, but when they were put on duty they were found not to be able to cope up with the peak hour traffic. So, those people were transferred to office work. In the light of our experience, I am afraid we cannot accept the suggestion of Sri Rasheed.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Admitting the proposition that women could not cope up with the work during peak hours in the buses, will the Government think of posting them as stand conductors at least in bus termini so that they could also be properly employed as men?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I do not think it is necessary. Because, the stand conductors are interchanged with bus conductors and therefore it is not possible to do that.

SRIMATHI KAMALAMBUJA AMMAL : பெண்களுக்கு கண்டக்டர் வேலை கொடுக்காவிட்டாலும் டிரைவர் வேலையாவது கொடுப்பார்களா ?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : இந்தக் கேள்வியை கனம் அங்கத்தினரிடமிருந்து நான் எதிர் பார்க்கவில்லை. இப்பெழுதுள்ள பஸ்கள் எல்லாம் ஹெவி டீயு பஸ்கள். சாதாரணமாக ஆண்களே அதை மாணேஜ் பண்ணமுடியவில்லை. பெண்கள் அவைகளை எப்படி மாணேஜ் பண்ண முடியும் ? பெண்கள் தெருவி டீயு பஸ்களை மாணேஜ் பண்ண முடியும் என்று நான் நினைக்கவில்லை.

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**SRI A. A. RASHEED :** Is the Hon. Minister aware that in London, the entire bus service is managed and run by women conductors? If so, does the Hon. Minister mean that our women are inferior and incapable of doing that work which is done by the women in England?

**THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN :** Different countries have different customs and manners and we cannot import those Western customs and manners right into our country.

*Housing Scheme for the Hill Tribes in Javadu Hills*

\* 97 Q.—**SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR** (on behalf of **SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI**) : கனம் பொது மராமத்து அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதில் விப்பாரா—

(அ) ஜவ்வாது மலைவிலுள்ளவர்களுக்கு வீடுகள் கட்டித்தரும் திட்டம் உண்டா ?

(ஆ) இதுவரை எத்தனை வீடுகள் கட்டப்பட்டுள்ளன ? எங்கெங்கே ?

**THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN :** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Colonies of 10 houses each at Puliur, Nellivasal and Chinavathanur and of eight houses at Malayandipatti are under construction at present. No houses have yet been completed.

*Indian Central Oilseeds Committee*

\* 99 Q.—**SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) the amount received from the Indian Central Oilseeds Committee in 1957-58 and 1958-59 so far; and

(b) the manner in which this amount has been utilized?

**THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :** (a) The amount received from the Indian Central Oilseeds Committee are as follows:—

Year.	RS.
1957-58	81,920
1958-59	80,195

(b) The amount received was utilized for implementing the technical work contemplated in the various schemes financed by the Indian Central Oilseeds Committee.

**SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR :** இந்தியன் செண்ட்ரல் ஆயில் சட்டை கமிட்டியில் சில திட்டங்கள் போட்டிருக்கிறார்களே, அந்த திட்டங்களைப் பற்றி சொல்ல முடியுமா ?